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ID 791041

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DATE: 21 MAR 79

FOR ACTION: HAMILTON JORDAN

TIM KRAFT *attached*

JODY POWELL

JERRY RAFSHOON

JACK WATSON *attached*

CHARLIE SCHULTZE

ALFRED KAHN

PHIL WISE

INFO ONLY: FRAN VOORDE

This is moot

SUBJECT: WEXLER EIZENSTAT MEMO RE PROPOSAL FOR MEETINGS ON
ENERGY POLICY

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+ RESPONSE DUE TO RICK HUTCHESON STAFF SECRETARY (456-7052) +
+ BY: 1100 AM FRIDAY 23 MAR 79 / +
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ACTION REQUESTED: YOUR COMMENTS

STAFF RESPONSE: () I CONCUR. () NO COMMENT. () HOLD.

PLEASE NOTE OTHER COMMENTS BELOW:

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 20, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ANNE WEXLER *Anne*
STU EIZENSTAT *Stu*

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The groups would include:

- o Big business, including banks
- o Small business
- o Big oil
- o Independent oil producers
- o Labor
- o Consumers

If you concur we will begin to schedule these meetings.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

THE WHITE HOUSE
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From Jack Watson

Wexler/Eizenstat memo on proposals
for meetings on energy policy:

IT IS CRITICAL THAT STATE AND LOCAL
OFFICIALS BE INVITED FOR SIMILAR
MEETINGS!!!!!!! (emphasis not added)

Meg

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*Response Due
Fri - 3/23/79*

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*but if time is the main problem,
there should still be 4 meetings
① business; ② majors (oil); ③ independents (oil)
④ consumer/labor (reduced from 6)*

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I think we should have these people in but limit the President's personal participation in the meetings. Let him come in at the end or the beginning with well-prepared talking points that let them know he is sensitive to their concerns but determined to act in the national interest.

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